



A member of the security forces and a passer-by carry one of the victims of yesterday's Rehov Ben-Yehuda bicycle bomb to a waiting ambulance that arrived at the Jerusalem pedestrian mall moments after the evening blast. (Frisberg-Zoom 77)

Bicycle bomb blast kills one, injures 51 in downtown J'lem

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

One man was killed and 51 persons were injured yesterday evening when a terrorist bomb exploded in downtown Jerusalem. One man was reported last night to be in "critical condition," five were said to be in "serious condition," seventeen suffered medium injuries and the rest were slightly injured. Ten were released from hospital by yesterday evening.

The dead man was identified as Kamel Rofeh, 31, a new immigrant from Iran.

The bomb, which exploded at 8:37 p.m. on the Ben-Yehuda mall beside the outdoor tables of the Alno coffee shop, consisted of a bicycle whose frame was packed with what police described as "sensitive explosive material," a timing device and a detonator.

The Palestine Liberation Organization, in a communiqué from Damascus, accepted responsibility for the blast.

Seventeen suspects were rounded up by last night for questioning. After the injured were evacuated by policemen, soldiers and bystanders, sappers cordoned off the area and made a thorough search of the mall area. Half of the bicycle frame was discovered nearby, still intact and full of explosive material. Sappers placed a charge next to it and exploded it at 7:05 p.m., an explosion which many Jerusalemites mistook for a second terrorist bomb. The injured were taken to the Hadassah University Hospital, both in Ein Kerem and in Mount Scopus, to Sha'are Zedek Hospital and to Bikur Holim.

About 10 minutes before the blast, Border Police men patrolling the area discovered a suspicious sack on the pavement on Rehov Ben-Yehuda, off Ben-Yehuda. They called in police sappers, who reached the scene about three minutes before the bicycle bomb went off and were on hand for immediate inspection of the area for further bombs. Much of the area

is strewn with earth and rocks because of subterranean repair now going on.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek arrived on the scene about an hour after the explosion.

According to eye-witnesses, ambulances reached the site of the explosion within five minutes and the work of aiding the injured, which went on despite the fear of possible further bombs, took some 10 to 15 minutes. Two doctors, on the scene at the time, applied bandages and tourniquets to several of the injured.

The use of bicycles or carriage frames as camouflage for bombs is not new, a police spokesman said yesterday. A carriage bomb went off in downtown Jerusalem, only a few hundred metres from the site of yesterday's explosion, in November 1975, killing six people.

Police named David Klein as critically wounded. Stephen Shield, Uri Tovai, and Anat Rofeh (the dead

'I was framed,' says convicted killer Pinto faces new trial for giving interview

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent

Daniel Pinto, the soldier who was convicted of murdering Lebanese he had taken prisoner during the Litani Operation, last year, and who had his sentence slashed from eight to two years by the chief of staff, will be tried again — this time for giving an unauthorized interview to the afternoon daily, "Yediot Aharanot."

The interview, published yesterday, was given against standing military instructions that all contacts between men in uniform and the press have to be authorized by the army spokesman's office.

"Yediot Aharanot" for the past three days, ever since details of the Pinto case became known to the general public after appearing in the "Los Angeles Times," has been giving front page coverage to the convicted officer's account of what happened, from family, friends and now Pinto himself.

The army has not been able to release an account of the court proceedings because it is prevented from doing so by military censorship rules, as the trial was held in camera. The bench comprised a Supreme Court justice and two senior officers.

The Jerusalem Post has learned from an authoritative source that the paper's reporter entered the military prison where Pinto is being held under false pretences and probably with the help of the Pinto family.

The reporter arrived at the jail at regular visiting hours, posed as a member of the family and proceeded to interview the convicted murderer, afterwards printing Pinto's account of what happened, including grave accusations against a brother officer who had originally informed the

Gov'ts must ratify accord All sides will help supervise Sinai pullback

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The U.S., Israel and Egypt yesterday reached a "tentative agreement" on a new arrangement to monitor Israel's withdrawal from the Sinai.

The arrangement calls for joint Israeli-Egyptian supervisory patrols, an expansion of U.S. aerial reconnaissance missions, the continued operation of the U.S. Sinai field mission and possible involvement of the UN Truce Supervisory Organization (UNTSO).

U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, who disclosed the preliminary details of the arrangement, said that all three governments would now have to formally ratify what their ministers had accepted during two days of intensive negotiations at the State Department here.

Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan later told Israeli reporters: "I believe the agreement is a good agreement." He said that details would now be forwarded to the Israel cabinet, which would consider the proposal shortly.

Dayan said that the agreement includes some changes from the earlier understanding reached by Egyptian President Sadat and Prime Minister Begin during their recent summit in Haifa.

"There are changes," Dayan said, explaining that the arrangements reached by Sadat and Begin involving the supervision of certain areas in the Sinai proved unrealistic during the course of the negotiations here.

Dayan expressed hope that the cabinet would endorse the agreement. When asked whether a rejection was possible, Dayan replied: "Everything is possible."

Vance said the U.S. Congress would have to approve the final arrangements including the continued existence of the Sinai field mission. He said that only civilian American personnel — up to 200 in number — would participate and that the U.S. would bear the cost of the American involvement.

This U.S. willingness to retain a civilian presence in Sinai represents a major U.S. change. The Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty had specifically stipulated the withdrawal of the Sinai field mission.

Vance noted that the agreement was suitable only for the interim period, "no longer than three years," the time needed before the full Israeli withdrawal from Sinai.

Vance, Dayan, and Egyptian Defence Minister Kamel Hassan All agreed that there would have to be further negotiations to find a permanent solution.

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Weizman, Saunders smile and make up

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Defence Minister Ezer Weizman and Harold Saunders, U.S. assistant secretary of state for Middle East affairs, made up in public yesterday after their well-publicized quarrel last Saturday night.

Weizman and Saunders, whose tiff at an Israeli reception was acknowledged by U.S. officials yesterday, appeared in front of cameras in the lobby of the State Department — this time with smiles on their faces.

"I was very sorry it blew up like that, but this is it, this is democracy," Weizman said.

Then, in an apparent reference to the current U.S.-Israeli-Egyptian talks on the Sinai, he added, "With Kamel Hassan All we have no problem absolutely."

Calling Saunders, "my friend," Weizman joked, "Today we were very calm and, as usual, very friendly."

"We have discussed many things over the years and always come out of it with smiles, as we do today," Saunders added.

Israeli reporters who overheard Saturday's exchange between Weizman and Saunders say the two quarrelled heatedly over Israeli raids in Lebanon and U.S. foreign policy in general. The State Department said these reports were basically correct.

Yesterday, reporters were told in advance that the two would make a joint appearance in the lobby. While the purpose was not spelled out, it was obviously planned to heal the rift.

'To compare notes' was all Weizman promised U.S.

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman did not undertake to consult with U.S. officials before Israeli action in Lebanon, but said "we (Israel) are always ready to compare notes," according to a close associate of the minister.

The associate, who had spoken to Weizman several times since the publication of reports here that Weizman had undertaken, at a closed meeting with the U.S. House Foreign Affairs Committee, to consult with the U.S. before using American weapons in Lebanon, claimed that Weizman's readiness to

"compare notes" was normal practice between allies. He said it was not a statement linking Israeli freedom of military action to American permission.

This version was confirmed by government officials in Jerusalem last night. They said that from reports reaching them Weizman had not deviated from agreed policy guidelines, and that he had promised nothing more than to consult with the Americans on certain specific issues.

The Jerusalem Post has learned that what is in effect at stake is an Israeli request to use sophisticated

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Begin, Liberals didn't go into gov't reshuffle: premier fears collapse

By SHLOMO MAOZ, SARAH HONIG and ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporters

Liberal Party sources last night said the subject of a cabinet reshuffle had not come up during the meeting between Premier Menachem Begin and his Liberal ministers, Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich, Energy Minister Yitahak Moda'i, Industry, Trade and Tourism Minister Gideon Patti and Minister without Portfolio Moshe Nissim.

But Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich this week again raised with Begin his proposal to reassign cabinet portfolios, among them Ehrlich's own Treasury post. Begin, however, rejected the idea, apparently fearing that his coalition would fall apart if such a step were taken.

The Liberals said yesterday's meeting had been "very promising and successful."

The ministers' enthusiasm about their meeting is thought to be geared

primarily to warding off attacks at next week's party central committee gathering scheduled to hear their report on progress in implementing the party's economic principles. With little to show since the party ordered them to act in June, the

ministers will have to build up their meeting with Begin, party sources think.

Some Liberal MKs predicted in the Knesset dining room yesterday that the move to call for a vote of confidence would be a failure.

The Likud leader spoke bitterly of what he feels is his position as the scapegoat for the government, and charged fellow Likud ministers and MKs with not backing him up.

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Paris court sentences Flatto to 5 years for fraud, taxes

Jerusalem Post Staff and agencies

PARIS. — MK Samuel Flatto Sharon was sentenced yesterday in absentia to five years imprisonment and a fine of 50,000 francs (about IL200,000) for fraud and tax evasion.

The court sentenced two accomplices, also absent, to five and four years imprisonment respectively and fines of 30,000 francs. Six of 27 accomplices who appeared in court were acquitted, and the rest were sentenced to fines and suspended jail terms.

Flatto ran a financial empire in France while holding Israeli nationality, which he obtained under the Law of Return in 1971. He was arrested in Israel in 1976 on a French extradition request, but successfully won a Knesset seat in 1977 to obtain parliamentary immunity from prosecution.

This year, Flatto has been indicted for fraudulent electioneering practices, and the Knesset has stripped him of immunity to stand trial.

But the MK's parliamentary immunity was lifted by the Knesset solely to enable charges to be pressed against him in connection with alleged election bribery. The fact that his immunity was lifted is therefore not relevant to the French request for his extradition on the fraud charges for which he was convicted and sentenced.

In an announcement yesterday, Flatto reiterated his offer to pay France \$10m. (about IL285m.) to cancel the charges on which he was sentenced and sentenced, and I hope the French authorities will accept my proposal to cancel this bad deal," Flatto said. He explained that French law provides for automatic cancellation of penalties imposed in absentia if the penalties are appealed.

He said he had instructed his lawyers in Paris to appeal the sentences today, "and they will propose to pay \$10m.," he said.

Flatto is reputedly worth several hundred million dollars.

In early 1977, the Justice Ministry in Paris sent Jerusalem a dossier of several hundred pages to substantiate the request for Flatto's extradition. After the dossier had been translated into Hebrew and then studied here, the Justice Ministry requested further details from Paris.

Israel's request for further clarification reportedly upset the Justice Ministry in Paris, where the opinion was expressed that if the material was solid enough to persuade a French court to try Flatto and his associates, it seemed surprising that the Israeli Justice Ministry was demanding more evidence.

Now that Flatto has been convicted and sentenced, the French authorities are expected to send the judgement to Jerusalem to bolster their extradition request.

U.S. welcomes 'assurances'

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. yesterday welcomed Defence Minister Ezer Weizman's assurances that Israel will consult with Washington before using U.S.-supplied military equipment to attack terrorist targets in Lebanon.

State Department spokesman H. G. Carter said that the Weizman commitment, offered to a U.S. House Foreign Affairs Committee on Monday, "could have a positive impact on the situation."

The spokesman stressed that Israel had never previously agreed to consult with the U.S. in such a way.

Weizman, who was scheduled to leave the U.S. last night to return to Israel, confirmed that he had offered such a commitment to Washington but sought to play down its significance. He once again insisted that a willingness to consult did not necessarily mean that Israel would abide by the U.S. view.

Ramot will bring the war into Mea She'arim

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Ramot residents warned yesterday that they will carry the battle over the Ramot road into the neighbourhoods of the Orthodox demonstrators who have been harassing Sabbath traffic for the past year.

"They will have to spend their time defending themselves," said Yossi Yadid, a member of a neighbourhood committee. "For an Open and Secure Road."

Yadid noted at a press conference that an attempt was made last Saturday by two vehicles to penetrate the police barriers sealing off Shabbat Square in Mea She'arim. He indicated that such action would be initiated in the future unless the Ramot road harassment ceased.

"We live in closed neighbourhoods only because of our goodwill," he said, "and 10,000 secularists, including supporters from out of

town, would confront religious demonstrators on the road the Sabbath after Rosh Hashana.

A skullcap-wearing resident of Ramot, Yehuda Levinger, said that 30 per cent of Ramot residents were religious themselves and that they opposed the ultra-religious demonstrators as strongly as did the secular residents. "Those people demonstrating aren't religious, they're hoodlums," he said. "They themselves are committing the biggest desecration of the Sabbath. They are just looking for a diversion after being cooped up in their studies all week."

The danger of armed violence was raised by committee member Yossi Dagan. He said there were secular elements in Ramot who noted that Israel's had fired at Arabs who stoned their vehicles near Ramallah and who felt that similar action should be taken against Jewish demonstrators who were endangering lives by stoning moving vehicles. "We have so far been able to control these elements,"

he said.

Hints at unconventional action against religious neighbourhoods were offered by Rav Tavor in a series of half-humorous "denials" of purported action: "We will not walk around their neighbourhoods in bikinis. We will not open a hole in the fence around the zoo (located near religious neighbourhoods) to let out the wild animals. We will not kidnap the demonstration leaders nor will we spray white paint on stone throwers to identify them for police."

One action they will take in the future, said Yadid, is to surround and trap stone throwers and not merely chase them away.

Prof. Yehoshua Porat of the Secular Movement said that the history of secular-religious conflicts in Jerusalem over the past 20 years showed that outrageous demands by the religious could be overcome if the secular are determined. He cited the conflict over the swimming pool in the German Colony which the ultra-religious had demonstrated against, and the attempt in the 1950s to close Jaffa Road to Sabbath traffic.

Meanwhile, Interior Minister Burg proposed yesterday to Mayor Teddy Kollek that traffic to Ramot be detoured temporarily through the adjacent industrial park until the 800-metre-long disputed stretch of the road could be shielded from view of the adjacent Orthodox neighbourhoods. Kollek told Burg that he did not object to the road being covered over, if the ministry paid for it. But he objected to any diversion of traffic from the road.

Arafat discusses new peace plan with Hussein in Amman

Post Middle East Editor

Jordan's King Hussein and Palestine Liberation Organisation chief Yasser Arafat last night reviewed a new Middle East peace formula that the Jordanian monarch is reportedly planning to put forward next week at the UN General Assembly.

Hussein is due to address the session on Tuesday.

Arafat arrived yesterday in Amman on his first official visit to the Jordanian capital since the PLO was ejected from Jordan in the showdown of September 1970.

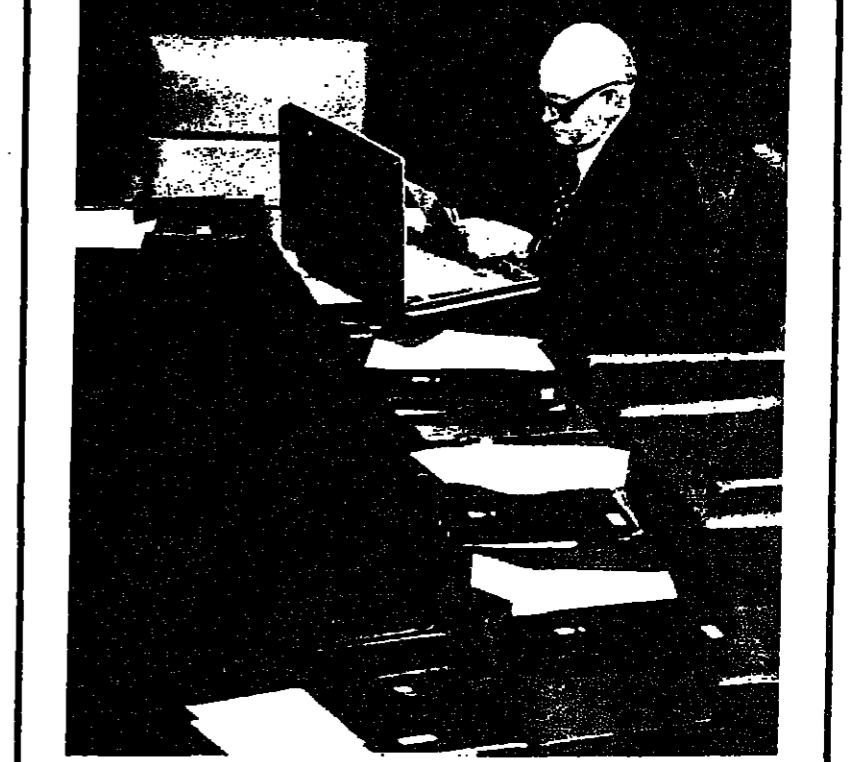
Three previous reconciliation encounters with Hussein took place well away from Amman at the al-Mafraq airbase near the border with Syria.

Arafat told newsmen that he went to Jordan to discuss all points of interest with Hussein, and "particularly to coordinate a unified stand at the General Assembly."

His press remarks apparently dismissed speculation that he and Hussein would screen the possibilities of having either Palestinians or Jordan join the current Israel-Egyptian negotiations for a West Bank and Gaza Strip autonomy.

Arafat said that both Jordan and the PLO reject the negotiations, which he termed as a "sellout of Palestinian rights." He accused Egypt of conspiring with Israel to maintain the latter's "occupation of the Palestinian land."

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Simcha Ehrlich tells Mark Segal why he thinks he's the government's lightning rod.

Hirsh Goodman tries to find out how Sinai Beduin feel about returning to Egypt.

Analysis of the chaotic state of government is the task undertaken by Yosef Goeli.

Natalli and Israel Lau's tale of survival is related by Ze'ev Schul.

Aliza Auerbach tours the doors of Safad, in a photo essay.

The Ghettos of Venice and Rome are the subject of an exhibit viewed by Catherine Rosenheimer.

Oldtimers in Degania talk about their adherence to veteran values, in a talk with Benny Morris.

Vanquished Poland was invaded by the Russians 40 years ago. Alexander Zvielli was there.

And the Weekend Dry Bones, with a capital suggestion for the new year.

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HOME NEWS

Asks for wage hike Moda'i threatens his workers will strike

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter Energy and Communications Minister Yitzhak Moda'i ignited a stormy argument in the Ministerial Wage Committee yesterday when he demanded a salary hike for Communications Ministry workers. The other economic ministers stood firm against Moda'i's demands but Moda'i warned that if the higher wages aren't forthcoming workers' sanctions will disrupt the country's communications network. Moda'i said the workers are demanding higher wages to bring them into line with recent hikes given the engineers, state attorneys, and nurses. These include wage hikes for workers on contracts with specific allowances, promotions, authority for the minister to grant special benefits without the permission of the civil service commission, special wage hikes for technicians, accelerated career advancement for professionals, and vehicle allowances for all workers at grade six and up. Moda'i told the ministers that these demands mean an additional 4 per cent to his ministry's current salaries budget, and would cost



Peace Now demonstrators sit on the road leading into Hebron after military authorities refused to allow them to hold a rally in the West Bank city. (Zoom TT)

Peace Now stopped en route to Hebron, blocks traffic

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter About 200 Peace Now supporters were stopped yesterday by the army and police before reaching Hebron, where they had hoped to protest against Gush Emunim plans to occupy flats in the heart of the Arab city. At a roadblock thrown up several kilometers south of Bethlehem, at the turnoff to Tekoa, the demonstrators sat down, blocking all traffic along the Jerusalem-Hebron road for some three hours. Several demonstrators were slightly injured when frustrated travellers bound for Kiryat Arba and Gush Etzion assaulted those sitting in their path. One demonstrator was rushed to a Jerusalem hospital with a possible broken leg after a Kiryat Arba resident knocked him down with a truck. Some 50 demonstrators travelling from Beersheba reached Hebron's Avraham Avinu Synagogue, where they protested against the impending occupation of seven flats recently renovated at government expense by Kiryat Arba residents. Confronted at the roadblock with an order from West Bank military governor Tak Aluf Binayamin Ben-Eliesser closing the Hebron district to all non-residents, the main body of demonstrators, manned by telephone to acting Defence Minister Mordechai Zippori and the coordinator of operations in the administered territories, Aluf Danni Matt, both refused. A Peace Now leader said that Zippori told him that he personally had ordered the evacuation of women occupying the old Hadassah building in Hebron but his orders had been overruled by the Prime Minister. The demonstrators returned to Jerusalem about 7.30 p.m.

Electricity price increase of 20% already in force

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter The Knesset Finance Committee yesterday decided to raise electricity tariffs retroactively from September 7 by 20 per cent. The rise sought by the Energy Ministry had been 25.3 per cent. The committee also decided that consumers exceeding 400 kilowatt hours per month will be fined 25 per cent of the tariff for the excess usage. But, when The Jerusalem Post contacted committee members, some were unaware of having authorized the fine, which is likely to hit hardest at large families. Household users will now also pay the Israel Electric Corporation a \$1.20 per month fixed charge, irrespective of the number of rooms in their apartments, and contrary to the present arrangement. The new household tariff will be 141.5 agorot per kilowatt hour; public consumption — 147.4 agorot per kilowatt hour; industrial users — 127.8 agorot; and water pumping — 123.8 agorot per kilowatt hour. The committee also decided that it will not discuss electricity tariff rises in the future if the Electric Corporation does not deal with the free electricity supplies its employees enjoy, and does not also agree to collect television licence fees. (A decision along these lines has been taken in the past.) The average price of a kilowatt hour will now be 134.6 agorot. But the ministry claims that, at real costs, it should be 171 agorot. The committee has also, for the time being, rejected the Treasury demand to link income tax brackets 100 per cent to the Cost-of-Living Index as of October. A number of coalition MKs have opposed the idea, saying that an inflationary period is not the appropriate time for such a move. But approval still seems likely, probably at the committee's next meeting which is due to hear a Treasury representative justify the 100 per cent linkage.

BEGIN MEETS LIBERALS

(Continued from page 1) responsibility in this area. (Sharon is known to have reacted with scorn to the idea that 300,000 diamonds of state land be given to the Housing Ministry and has totally ignored the whole project.) Other Liberal demands yesterday included the abolition of the Absorption Ministry and the establishment of a ministry of information. Begin is said to have told the ministers that a solution was "near" on the Absorption Ministry question, and promised to look into the other issues. Ehrlich meanwhile has decided to bring the Ministerial Economic Committee's recommendations on the transfer of state land to the Housing Ministry to a plenary cabinet session. He claims the committee only made recommendations, and that these need the approval of the entire cabinet, and this despite no similar action having been taken on other committee decisions. Treasury sources say there is an intention to transfer lands only gradually, rather than at one time. They say the committee made its recommendations without having sufficient information and that the amount mentioned was sufficient for some 50 years at least.

Live on TV, radio at 9:30 Begin meets press tonight

By JUDY SIEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporter Prime Minister Menachem Begin will appear at 9.30 tonight in a "live" interview on Israel TV, Kol Yisrael and Galei Zahal on the occasion of Rosh Hashana Eve. The Prime Minister's Office, which had received long-standing requests for interviews from newspapers and the electronic media, suggested that Begin deliver a TV address to the nation that summed up the past year. According to sources in Israel TV,

news department staffers could find no precedent for a prime minister speaking to the nation on Rosh Hashana Eve, which has traditionally been reserved for a message from the president and a greeting from the Sephardi chief rabbi. Except for joint press conferences with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, Begin's live interviews on TV have been quite rare. President Yitzhak Navon's message for Rosh Hashana will be broadcast at the beginning of "Mabat" at 9 o'clock tonight.

Jordan ups wages to West Bankers

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter The government of Jordan has increased the salaries of its former employees in the territories who are currently without work, and is conducting a large-scale population census in the West Bank, in an apparent attempt to stress its continuing influence in the area. Many Jordanian state employees, who were removed from their positions by the Israeli military authorities for security reasons, were pleasantly surprised to receive larger salaries for August. They were already getting 50 per cent more than their normal salary, in compensation for what Amman calls the "deep suffering under the occupation." The census, currently being con-

ducted by West Bank municipalities and the East Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce, involves filling out a special form issued in Amman and corroborating the data with documents and photographs. The Jordanians do not recognize birth certificates issued by the military government, and West Bankers are asked to exchange them for temporary Jordanian certificates or to have their Israeli identity cards signed by Arab municipal officials. Both moves come at a time of ongoing speculation about a change in Jordanian policy towards the West Bank, and visits by several prominent local pro-Palestinian figures to Amman. But official spokesmen have repeatedly denied that there has been any turnaround in Jordan's attitude.

Begin declines to meet civil rights leader Jackson

Jerusalem Post Staff and Agencies Prime Minister Menachem Begin has declined to meet with American black leader Jesse Jackson who plans to visit Israel early next week. Mayor Teddy Kollek, however, agreed yesterday to meet Jackson after the civil rights leader asked to meet him. Kollek wired him his agreement, adding his own assessment of Jackson's public position. "I can assure you that Arab lip service to the PLO is undoubtedly the result of fear of PLO terror. I take exception to your offensive remarks regarding the State of Israel and our prime minister. Nevertheless, I will welcome you to Jerusalem and you will have the opportunity to see for yourself the infrastructure of peace and tolerance," Kollek wrote. Begin is also unlikely to meet the 10-member delegation headed by Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. The group arrived in Lebanon on Monday at the invitation of the PLO. In a tour of the coastal town of Damour, Lowery compared the devastation he saw to destruction in the world wars. "Though his hosts told him the damage was caused by Israeli air

PINTO FACES NEW TRIAL

(Continued from page 1) another matter at the time, in which he was being held responsible for dismantling a roadblock in the Litani area, as a result of which a number of IDF soldiers were killed and one was taken prisoner by terrorists. "I didn't tell anyone about the episode, apart from a few good friends. My big mistake was telling Segen Yoav Hira, who was about to take over command of the company from me; I didn't think for a moment that Hira would distort my story and turn it into a matter of torturing and throttling four Arab residents. This story, based on hearsay evidence only, led to my being found guilty in court. "Throughout my time in jail I haven't stopped asking myself how the court could have believed the evidence of Yoav Hira, an officer

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Aircraft exports higher than 1978

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter Israel's aircraft exports in the first eight months of this year totalled \$168m., four times more than in the same period last year, according to figures published by the Industry, Trade and Tourism Ministry. On October 16 last year, the British monthly "Air International" reported that Argentina had bought 26 fighter planes from Israel Aircraft Industries at a cost of \$180m. The report said the contract was signed in August 1978. Westwind jets were sold in the U.S. and Arava planes to Latin America, mainly for use as flying ambulances. Vehicle exports during the first eight months came to \$12.4m., as against \$1m. in the same period last year. Telephone and telegraphic equipment worth \$1m. was sold during the period, compared with sales of \$3.9m. in the first eight months of 1978. The ministry figures also show a slowdown in growth of electronics exports and a drop in metal products sales abroad. Electronics products sales went up to \$83m. from \$71m. in the first eight months of 1978. Metal exports dropped from \$297m. in January-August 1978 to \$251.5m. in the first eight months. The explanation in both cases lies in the abrupt end of the Iranian market.

ALL SIDES WILL HELP

(Continued from page 1) manent peace-keeping force following the three-year period. Dayan doubted whether Egypt would agree to have the interim arrangement, including joint Israeli-Egyptian patrols, continue after the full Israeli withdrawal from Sinai. After the full withdrawal, Dayan said, a new UN arrangement or an alternative multi-national force established by the U.S. would probably be necessary. At a press conference at the Washington Hilton Hotel, Dayan once again voiced Israel's opposition to the involvement of UNTSO observers, citing the general opposition of the UN as a body to the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty. Nevertheless it was clear here that both the U.S. and Egypt were still pressing for some UNTSO participation, probably as a face-saving gesture, and that Israel was likely to go along with such an arrangement. But there were few details available

COMPARE NOTES

(Continued from page 1) military hardware against certain terrorist targets. Israel has complained in the past that American restrictions on the use of "smart" weapons in Lebanon have forced Israel to use less accurate, general purpose weapons against specific targets in populated areas, thus causing more damage and loss of civilian life. Apparently Israel will now be prepared to consult with the U.S. on the use of smart weapons against certain targets in advance, so as to limit damage to the target area as much as possible. Despite these explanations, and the government's statement that Weizman had not deviated from policy, the minister's remarks came under heavy attack here yesterday. Critics said they felt that it was unwise to publicly mention Israeli intention of consulting with the U.S. prior to military action, since this now placed the U.S. on the spot. Any future Israeli raids will now be considered to have de facto American approval, giving the U.S. just grounds for exerting pressure on Israel not to enforce its pre-emptive policies against the terrorists in Lebanon.

Eileen Blackey, first head of Baerwald, dies

Prof. Eileen Blackey, who founded the Hebrew University's Paul Baerwald School of Social Work, died on Tuesday. Prof. Blackey, who was not Jewish, was recruited to establish the school and pilot it through its formative years in 1968. She remained at the helm for the first four years of its existence. She rejected U.S. criticism of the latest Israeli cabinet decision enabling private Israeli citizens to purchase land in the West Bank and Gaza. He disclosed that at Camp David a year ago the U.S. opposed the concept of Israel as a state purchasing land there but not as individual Israelis. But at the same time Dayan repeatedly praised the Carter administration, especially Vance, for their role in the negotiations to date. He said there would not have been any peace agreement without the U.S. involvement. Last night (after midnight Israel time) Dayan was due to fly to New York for a few days to participate in the UN General Assembly.

The Minister of Labour and Social Affairs and the Ministry Staff

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man's daughter) were listed as among the severely injured.

Zvi'ev Apperman, Mevorach and Tikva Levy, Shula Gideon, David Galiel, Zvi Singer, Yitzhak Galiel, Gil Sobelman, Ya'akov Levi and Hedvah Shlomo were released from the hospital. Police described as light the injuries of the following: Oded Zadok, Yehzekel and Leah Bornstein, Boaz (or Gladi) David, S. Ruth Bloom, Tova Goldberg, Semadar Ainkazeta, Judith Binayamin, Rafael Rubitzky, Raheal Dnielli, Rita Sigmund, Mr. and Mrs. Unger from Amsterdam, Penina Carmel, Ravital Karmani, Gideon Scheitl, Nurit Afragan, Nissim and Mordechai Ben-Ezra, Ja'aber Ali (of Abu-Gosh), Albert Alfasi, Zvi'ev Segal, Yara, Yosef, Koshah and Yehudi Kleit, Raheal Kirzon, Rivka Dahlan, Noam Degurt, Shimon Azul, Nurit Glamir, and Binayamin Fanjal. Some names were not yet available at press time. In a statement released yesterday at the State Department in Washington, the Carter administration said: "We deplore this terrorist incident in Jerusalem and condemn those who have perpetrated it... We extend our deepest sympathy to the victims and their families. No political objective can justify such inhumanity."

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Renewed demand pushes index bonds higher

TEL AVIV. — The downward price trend in the index-linked bond market, occasioned by switching from bonds to foreign currency, reversed itself yesterday as most sectors of the index-linked bond market moved higher.

The Bank of Israel representative rate for the dollar showed a further devaluation of the Israeli pound, this time by 14 agorot. Yet this was considerably less than the drop in the value of the pound in the previous two sessions.

The share market showed some improvement in that the selling eased and only real estate, industrial and investment company issues showed a clear downward trend.

Commercial bank shares, as has been the case in recent sessions, continued to edge higher. An anomaly of yesterday's trading was an offer of IL2.4m. worth of Bank Leumi shares which were picked up without any change in price.

Stocks & bonds—the market report

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Post Finance Reporter

highly successful semi-annual report. IDB rose by two and Miralab (b) traded without any change in price. Tefahot did not trade as the management of the mortgage bank announced that the rights issue previously proposed has been further delayed.

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both "sellers only" and were lowered by five per cent. Azorim was down by 20, to 458.

Industrials also were weak and moved in a downward direction. Alliance, for the second consecutive session, was "sellers only" and was automatically lowered by 50 points, to 1,327.

Teva also did not trade as the pharmaceutical concern announced its yearly results for the period ending March 31. Net profits advanced by some IL50m. to IL56.4m.

Teva's board announced a final cash dividend of IL2.4 share and bonus shares in the order of 40 per cent.

Arad was down by 4.7 per cent, while other shares in the group declined by more modest margins.

Elgar (b) was down by 5.8 per cent in the investment company sector. Investment of Paz (r) eased by 15 points to 390.

Ararat IL2 rebounded and gained 6.3 per cent. Phoenix IL2 retreated by 2.3 per cent and Zur (b) by 4.3 per cent.

Among land development and real estate equities the Solel Boneh A and C shares were

Representative New York Stock Exchange bond prices

Table with columns: Bond Name, Price, Change. Includes entries like 8.5% Defence loan, 70 (Ayin) Feb, 78 (Ayin Feb), etc.

Dow Jones Industrial Average: 876.44 up 2.50

Volume: 85,330,000

Table of stock prices and changes. Includes entries like Allied Chemical, Amer. Paper Mills, Avco, Boeing, etc.

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Large table of stock prices categorized by Commercial Banks, Housing Mtg., Prop. & Bldg., etc.

Table of stock prices categorized by Most active shares, including Leumi, Piryon, etc.



HAIFA DISTRICT COURT Legacies File 1196/79 In the matter of the late SARA SANDOWSKI, deceased in New York on July 22, 1979.

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Bank of Israel representative foreign exchange rates—Sept. 19

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INTERBANK LONDON SPOT RATES:

Table of interbank London spot rates for various currencies.

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FUND RATES

Table of fund rates with columns: FUND, TRUSTEE, UNIT PRICE, REDEMPTION PRICE. Includes funds like ADIF, ALON, ALMOG, etc.

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Carrot-and-stick to adapt education to needs

SAM LEHMAN-WILZIG argues that the government should make more efficient use of universities to train and direct skilled manpower for labour-short fields.

Keeping watch on Hussein THE VISIT of Yasser Arafat in Amman yesterday for meetings with King Hussein is the second such consultation in recent weeks.

A CONSTANT problem in the Israeli economy is the shortage of skilled labour in high-technology and high-export industries (and indeed in the whole manufacturing sector).

The government is moving in the right direction in its attempts to inculcate into our high school students the worth, dignity, and national need for physical labour — whether it be on the assembly line or in the laboratory.

Using the "carrot" approach, the government could lower (or in certain very high priority vocations, eliminate altogether) the tuition fees for students willing to enter those fields which show present and/or future manpower shortages.

Overdue bill

THE LONG-PROMISED — and long-delayed — Pensions Bill is at long last to be tabled in the Knesset. It provides full-sized pensions to all citizens (additional to the tiny national insurance benefits) through the existing, mostly Histadrut-affiliated funds.

The initial step would be to set up a permanent National Commission — comprising distinguished individuals from the academic world, business, labour, and government (including demographers, economists, industrial psychologists, etc.) — which would periodically project the general manpower needs of the country in the various sectors.

THE MOST natural and cost-effective place to start is the university system, where the worker-to-be is educated and trained for his future vocation. This is the real source of industry's skilled manpower and any government programme designed to readjust the labour imbalance must use this crucial sector in the most efficient way possible.

Second, and alternatively, the government could offer a variation of the optional tuition plan currently in use at Yale University. Instead of paying for tuition during his period of studies, each student pays a mere one-half of one per cent of his monthly salary to the university for the rest of his life, starting after graduation.

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which harm the national economic interest. Education is even more vital to the future economic health of the state. Besides, the government presently contributes a majority of each university's budget; thus, it would merely be withdrawing some support from certain fields and forcing the student to cover more of the real cost of his own education.

THE ADVANTAGES of these various plans over the government's present proposals are clear. From the cost-effectiveness standpoint, the government would pay a maximum of IL24,000 (at current tuition rates of IL1,500 per college year) in suggested. Furthermore, this lower amount is to subsidize a much younger and potentially more productive individual (since he will have more years of work in the future). Also, it is obviously much easier to train a younger person from scratch than to retrain an older one with all the irrelevant psychological baggage he carries with him to a new job.

READERS' LETTERS

CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — A recent public statement signed by the two Chief Rabbis of Jerusalem calls for some comment. It is time honoured rabbinic tradition that a halachic ruling is based on the citation and weighing of halachic sources and authorities, something the Chief Rabbis of Jerusalem disdain to do. Fortunately in Judaism ex cathedra statements have no standing. What kind of "halachic ruling" is it that does not quote or cite a single halachic source?

INSULT TO HALACHA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — As an Orthodox rabbi, I wish to express my indignation at the ruling of the chief rabbis of Jerusalem that a person who hears the blowing of the shofar in a Conservative synagogue has not fulfilled his obligation.

MOSHAV ELAZAR

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In her article of September 13, "A congregation makes aliyah," Judy Siegel accuses Moshav Elazar as being on the brink of collapse. This statement is patently false.

WRONG TARGET

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Faye Schenk writes (August 21) that my report on the Soviet Jews in Berlin is noxious, outrageous and obscene.

CHIEF RABBI YOSEF

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Three cheers for your editorial of September 5 echoing the words of Rabbi Ovadia Yosef.

DEPOSED LEADER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — On September 7, you published a short notice headed "Cameroun to try deposed leader."

POSTSCRIPTS

THE REV. ENOCH SASAKA of Nairobi recently completed a summer course along with fellow Africans at the Hebrew University under the auspices of the Israel Interfaith Committee. Rev. Saska writes: "I am convinced that the people here have created a climate of co-existence. In spite of different ethnic groups, the country has done a lot to integrate people."

CONTINUITY OF JUDAISM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Your book critic, Shalom J. Kahn, abandoning logic and good sense, is certainly carried away in his review of Professor David Flusser's recent books (August 3), when he concludes: "Continuities... from the Sibylla, the Second Temple, the rise of Christianity, the medieval Josippot, to Israel today — it is all one flame of truth, one web of relationships, one living tradition."

LEAVING YAMIT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — We should like to take issue with certain statements made in Harry Wall's article, "The price for paradise" (September 7). The implication that we are planning to leave Israel after the evacuation of Yamit is a misrepresentation of our intentions and conflicts sharply with our beliefs.

ESPERANTO TOURIST

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I have just returned from a wonderful visit to Israel. Although I do not know Hebrew, I was fortunate enough to be able to communicate with the local people, whom I had met previously at various Esperanto congresses, in the international language, Esperanto.

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